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up to an additional 60 days if the individual is at least 62 years of age and is unable to submit the required documentation within the initial 60-day period.

(h) *Rejection of documentation or certification.* The processing entity may reject documentation referred to in paragraph (f) of this section, or a certification provided under paragraphs (a)(2), (b)(2), (d), or (g)(1) of this section, only for such reasons as HUD and the PHA may prescribe in applicable administrative instructions.

(i) *Information on SSNs and EINs.* (1) Information regarding SSNs and SSN cards may be obtained by contacting the local SSA Office or consulting the SSA regulations at 20 CFR chapter III (see, particularly, part 422).

(2) Information regarding EINs may be obtained by contacting the local office of the IRS or consulting the appropriate regulations for the IRS.

(j) *Form and manner of certifications.* The certifications referred to in paragraphs (a)(2), (b)(2), (d), and (g)(1) of this section must be in the form and manner that HUD and the PHA prescribe in applicable administrative instructions. If an individual who is required to execute a certification is less than 18 years of age, the certification must be executed by his or her parent or guardian or, in accordance with administrative instructions, by the individual or another person.

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§5.218 Penalties for failing to disclose and verify Social Security and Employer Identification Numbers.

(a) *Denial of eligibility: assistance applicants and individual owner applicants.* The processing entity must deny the eligibility of an assistance applicant or individual owner applicant in accordance with the provisions governing the program involved, if the assistance or individual owner applicant does not meet the applicable SSN disclosure, documentation and verification, and certification requirements specified in §5.216.

(b) *Denial of eligibility: entity applicants.* The processing entity must deny the eligibility of an entity applicant in

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accordance with the provisions governing the program involved; if:

(1) The entity applicant does not meet the applicable EIN disclosure and verification requirements specified in §5.216; or

(2) Any of the officials of the entity applicant referred to in §5.216(c) does not meet the applicable SSN disclosure, and documentation and verification requirements specified in §5.216.

(c) *Termination of assistance or tenancy: participants.* The processing entity must terminate the assistance or tenancy, or both, of a participant, in accordance with the provisions governing the program involved, if the participant does not meet the applicable SSN disclosure, documentation and verification, and certification requirements specified in §5.216.

(d) *Cross reference.* Individuals should consult the regulations and administrative instructions for the programs covered under this subpart B for further information on the use of SSNs and EINs in determinations regarding eligibility.

PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING INCOME INFORMATION ABOUT APPLICANTS AND PARTICIPANTS

§5.230 Consent by assistance applicants and participants.

(a) *Required consent by assistance applicants and participants.* Each member of the family of an assistance applicant or participant who is at least 18 years of age, and each family head and spouse regardless of age, shall sign one or more consent forms.

(b) *Consent authorization—(1) To whom and when.* The assistance applicant shall submit the signed consent forms to the processing entity when eligibility under a covered program is being determined. A participant shall sign and submit consent forms at the next regularly scheduled income reexamination. Assistance applicants and participants shall be responsible for the signing and submitting of consent forms by each applicable family member.

(2) *Subsequent consent forms—special cases.* Participants are required to sign and submit consent forms at the next interim or regularly scheduled income